

MRS. HAYWARD SAYS PLANT ESTATE SHRUNK \$16,000,000; BLAMES HER CO-EXECUTORS

With Son Fights \$1,100,000 Bill for Fees Presented by Associates.

CONTEST EXPENDITURES

\$33,000,000 Property Now Worth Only Half, Is Claim of Heirs.

NEW LONDON, Conn., May 12.—A contest over a claim for \$1,100,000 as executors' fees against the estate of Morton F. Plant will begin to-day in the Probate Court at Groton.

Three of the five executors who were named by Mr. Plant in his will, the United States Trust Company, Attorney George L. Shearers and Francis D. Sullivan, all of New York, have put in the claim for their services from the time of their appointment up to last November, and this is contested by the other two executors, Mrs. William Hayward, who was Mr. Plant's second wife, and Henry B. Plant, the son of his first marriage, they making no claim for services.

These heirs say the estate of Mr. Plant has shrunk from \$33,000,000 to \$17,000,000 during the last two and a half years. Protests are to be presented, it is understood, against certain allowances made to counsel for the estate and other disbursements made by the executors.

Mrs. Hayward has retained as counsel former United States Judge Walter C. Noyes, formerly of this city. He has retained as associate counsel the law firm of Hull, McGuire and Hull.

When the will was admitted to probate law the firm of Stewart & Shearers of New York and Charles B. Whittlessey of this city represented the estate. C. L. Avery, now a Judge of the Superior Court, was appointed at that time guardian for Philip Manwaring Plant, son of Mrs. Hayward by her marriage prior to that to Mr. Plant and who was later legally adopted by Mr. Plant.

SUIT TO SET PAY FINE ASIDE.

Police Captain Falconer Brings Action in Appellate Division.

Police Captain John L. Falconer, of the Traffic Division, Bayville, L. I., today applied to the Appellate Division for an order to set aside a fine of five days' pay imposed on him Feb. 6, 1918, by Deputy Commissioner Leach for failing to take proper action when Conrad Dykeman, of No. 657 Jefferson Avenue, Brooklyn, is alleged to have tapped a telephone wire and switchboard in the Hotel Biltmore in connection with a divorce case. In the trial of Falconer, Dykeman swore that the Captain introduced him to the dead detective of the Baltimore as a Secret Service man.

Assistant Corporation Counsel Carwell, appearing for the Police Commissioner, maintained that the purpose of the penal law was to safeguard the privacy of telephone conversations, and that the person having the right to use the wire was entitled to the protection of the statute. Decision was reserved.



Mrs. WILLIAM HAYWARD
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"CAGE WOMAN" HAS FIRST TRIP

Jessie Hall, Locked Up Twenty Years by Mother, Is Taken to Hospital.

BALTIMORE, May 12.—Bent and old looking at thirty-one, Jessie Hall, "the cage woman," had her first from home to-day since she was locked up by her mother twenty years ago.

Confined to one barred room and a heavily screened porch ever since her mother decided she was mentally unbalanced, the woman was rescued to-day. Authorities took her to a hospital to learn whether she is suffering from tuberculosis.

A preliminary examination, physicians said, indicated the mother was wrong in believing the girl mentally weak. Dull and apathetic as a result of her long imprisonment the girl showed little interest in preparations for the trip to the hospital.

Physicians and others interested in the case will attempt to arrange for her care in the future.

COP DENIES MURDER CHARGE

Simon Pleads Not Guilty to Killing Brooklyn Bartender.

Mark Simon, probationary policeman alleged to have shot and killed Charles Hanson, a bartender in the saloon of Joseph Zaenke, No. 262 Summer Avenue, Brooklyn, was arraigned to-day before County Judge Hassell in Brooklyn, on a charge of first degree murder, through his counsel, Robert H. Elder, Simon pleaded not guilty.

Simon was accompanied at the time of the fatal shooting by Valentine J. Seluck, another probationary policeman, who was cleared in the Magistrate's Court. Simon said he shot when attacked while seeking dry law evidence.

"To Rent" Signs Seen in Pittsburgh Now.

PITTSBURGH, May 12.—For the first time in several years "for rent" signs are making their appearance in Pittsburgh and real estate dealers again are calling on the printers for publication of rent lists. Even a request for this coveted article brought a laugh from renting agents a year ago.

LABOR OUTLINES PROGRAMME FOR CONGRESS ACTION

Will Ask Mining Inquiry and Right to Solicit Members Despite Contracts.

CINCINNATI, May 12.—A voluminous legislative report prepared by the Legislative Committee of the American Federation of Labor was disseminated here to-day by the Federation's Executive Council.

The report, presented by President Samuel Gompers, contains a complete record of bills introduced in the last and the present Congress, that affected the interests of organized labor.

Two new bills were also being considered by the Council. They will be presented in Congress in the interest of labor. One bill, already introduced by Senator Johnson, calls for a Congressional investigation into conditions in the West Virginia mining communities. The other would legalize the right of representatives of labor unions to solicit members, despite any individual contract they may have with their employees.

Both bills are supported by the United Mine Workers of America.

Bills in the present Congress opposed by labor include: Senator Poinsett's Anti-Strike Bill, the Graham Scab Bill, Representative Blanton's Sedition and Anti-Picketing Bill and Senator Frelinghuysen's bill authorizing the appointment of a Federal Coal Commissioner.

The report approved Senator Borah's bill designed to protect the constitutional rights of the citizens of the United States. This bill, it was stated, would also guarantee free speech and free assembly and would remedy conditions in Western Pennsylvania and West Virginia communities where it is alleged such rights are denied.

BALL TO AID EX-SOLDIERS.

Receipts Will Go to Morale Fund of Employment Bureau.

For the benefit of the morale fund of the Ex-Service Men's Employment Bureau, Inc., an entertainment and ball will be given Monday evening at the Hotel Pennsylvania. The Bureau, which has been incorporated since February last, has been obtaining positions for ex-service men without fee of any kind from either the employer or the employee.

It has in the past been maintained by private donations, but because of the number of resident men who are without work or funds, has been forced to resort to outside means for money if the proper assistance is to be given.

SAYS RESTRICTION ON IMMIGRATION IS BLOW TO ITALY

Premier Giolitti Declares His Country Must Find Other Outlet for Emigrants.

ROME, May 12.—Although Italy is the most lax country in the world, according to Premier Giolitti, that country faces the future with confidence. In a statement issued on the eve of the election for a new Chamber of Deputies, the Premier calls attention to the fact that the lire, at one time quoted at 30 for the dollar, is now valued at 19 to the dollar. Referring to the population of Italy and the recent immigration laws passed by the United States, Signor Giolitti says:

"Italy is a thickly populated country. It has almost 400 inhabitants to the square mile—twice as many as your most populous and richest State, New York. Italy is over-populated. There are not sufficient resources in the country to sustain such a virile population as ours, which shows a healthy increase every decade. It is imperative that we find an outlet for our constantly increasing population."

"New American restrictions on immigration have dealt us a severe blow but we must find other quarters to which we can send our emigrants. Before the war the people leaving Italy for other countries numbered 600,000 each year, of whom 500,000 returned home annually. We plan that in future we will send abroad 600,000 yearly, providing we can find a field for them. Last year but 200,000 emi-

grated, largely due to the lack of ocean transportation."

"In the pre-war days Italy had a trade balance against her of a little more than \$200,000,000, but this was more than overcome by the wealth brought back into the country by our emigrants, which amounted to \$200,000,000, and the money brought into the country by foreigners touring Italy, who spent \$120,000,000. Thus there was a material increase in the national wealth by the operation of these forces. They are gradually resuming their pre-war rate, and will serve to aid the country in the complete rehabilitation of her finances."

"We are now on the threshold of the general elections. This is a source of great pride to me, for it seems the greatest proof that Italy is absolutely free from revolutionary tendencies, but rather certain proof to the contrary."

LEGALLY DEAD; TO CELL FOR LIFE

Murderer Sheriff Forgot to Hang Finally Taken to Prison.

SHREVEPORT, La., May 12.—The last chapter in what is declared to be one of the most remarkable cases on record was written here to-day when Lonnie Eaton, Ouachita Parish negro, was taken from the Caddo Parish Jail and delivered to the Warden of the State Penitentiary at Baton Rouge, to begin his life sentence.

Sheriff Grant of Ouachita Parish forgot to hang Eaton on the date set, and his death sentence later was commuted by Gov. Parker to a life term. He was convicted in the District Court at Monroe, and was sentenced to be hanged for the murder of a white man more than a year ago.

Horse Drags Youth to Death.

(Special to The Evening World.)

LANCASTER, N. Y., May 12.—John Houck, nineteen years old, of Mountville, was killed to-day when his father's horse bolted while the boy was harnessing it in the barn. The lines became entangled about young Houck. The horse jumped a six-foot gate, carrying the boy with him and dragging him half a mile.

WOMEN AND BOYS BET IN POOL ROOMS

More Evidence of Wide Open Gambling in Saratoga Produced at Trial.

BALLETON SPA, May 12.—The trial of Charles B. Andrus, District Attorney of Saratoga County, charged with neglect of duty by the grand jury which investigated alleged gambling in the County, was resumed here to-day. More evidence was submitted by the prosecution designed to prove that "wide open" gambling prevailed in Saratoga Springs during the summer of 1918, that some of the places where bets were taken were operated in the center of the business district, and that women and children were patrons of the pool rooms.

Several of the witnesses admitted to having been proprietors of such places. Young boys testified they had placed bets.

FROST HITS NEW ENGLAND.

Strawberries Will Show Big Loss and Tobacco Not Little.

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., May 12.—Reports from the Connecticut valley show that low temperatures were recorded in this vicinity last night and the damage by frost will be considerable. Lowest temperature here was 28 degrees.

The heaviest losses were Italian truck farmers in Agawam, many of whom specialize in grapes and strawberries. Some of the large market gardeners took steps to protect their plants and minimized damage. Peach trees in Wilbraham, which had blossomed fully, are likely to be heavily damaged. Loss to tobacco in Westfield and Suffield, Conn., is not heavy.

Scarlet Fever Closes Elizabeth (N. J.) School.

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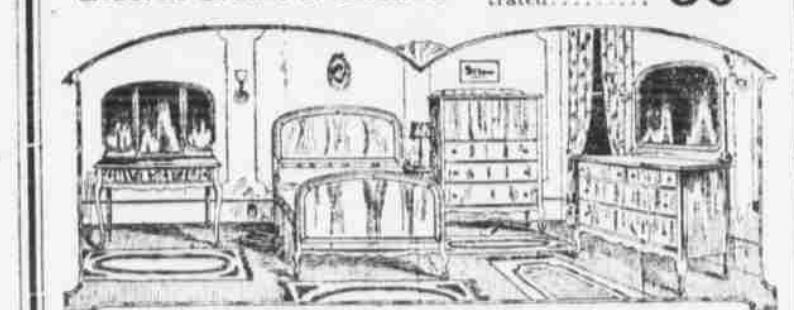
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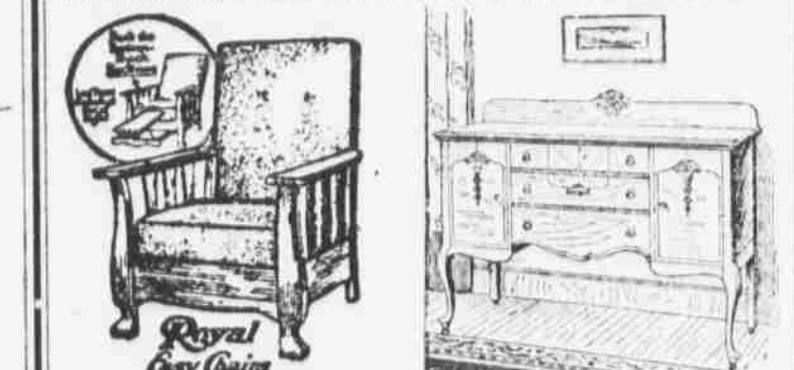
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